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SUBJ: NEW TURKISH AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL

1. NOVEMBER 9, THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL GAZETTE
CONFIRMED THE APPOINTMENT OF BEIDUH OLGACAY AS TURKISH
AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL.

2. AMBASSADOR OLGACAY WAS BORN IN ADANA, TURKEY, IN 1924.
HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE AT TARSUS AND OF
THE POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY AT ANKARA UNIVERSITY. HE
ENTERED THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1946. HE SERVED
AS THIRD SECRETARY IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL
UNTIL 1952 WHEN HE WAS APPOINTED VICE CONSUL IN ANTWERP.
HE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THIS POST TO OSLO AS FIRST SECRETARY.
IN 1961-62 HE SERVED AS FIRST SECRETARY IN LONDON AND IN
1962 AS FIRST SECRETARY IN MOSCOW. HE RETURNED TO ANKARA
IN 1962 AND BECAME DIRECTOR OF THE AFRICAN AND ASIAN AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT. IN AUGUST 1963 HE WAS APPOINTED CONSUL GENERAL
IN MILAN. SUBSEQUENTLY HE WAS FOR A TIME CHARGE IN PARIS,
RETURNING TO ANKARA IN 1968. IN 1970 HE BECAME DIRECTOR
GENERAL OF THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT, REMAINING IN THAT
POST UNTIL HIS APPOINTMENT TO KUWAIT. HE CONTINUED AS AMBASSADOR
TO KUWAIT UNTIL HIS APPOINTMENT TO BRAZIL.

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3. AMBASSADOR OLGACAY IS MARRIED TO THE DAUGHTER OF A

WEALTHY ISTANBUL SHIP OWNER. THEY HAVE ONE SON. OLGACAY SPEAKS ENGLISH AND FRENCH. HE HAS A GREAT FONDNESS FOR READING HISTORY AND FOLLOWING CERTAIN SPORTING EVENTS. POSSESSING A FANTASTIC MEMORY, HE CAN CITE IMPORTANT HISTORICAL DETAILS AT WILL AND CAN RECITE WINNERS IN EUROPEAN FOOTBALL AND OLYMPIC TRACK BACK OVER THE YEARS WITH DETAILS ON PERFORMANCE. OLGACAY HAS BEEN FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE TOWARD THE UNITED STATES IN THE PAST. HE IS EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS WITH A COURTEOUS AND GENTLEMANLY MANNER. HIS FATHER WAS AN ATTORNEY IN ADANA WHO EARNED AND LOST A FORTUNE AND MOVED IN AND OUT OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE. HIS GRANDFATHER WAS AN OFFICER IN THE OTTOMAN ARMY AND WAS KILLED DURING FIGHTING IN YEMEN. MACOMBER

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